

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1)

During this month of May why not join me through the parish website in [praying the rosary](#) each day... Now in his [APOSTOLIC LETTER: ROSARIUM VIRGINIS MARIAE](#), written in October 2002 to mark the beginning of his silver jubilee year as pontiff, Pope St John Paul II introduced the Mysteries of Light: The Luminous Mysteries and suggested a weekly pattern indicating – and I quote

“Thursday would then be free for meditating on the “mysteries of light”. This indication is not intended to limit a rightful freedom in personal and community prayer, where account needs to be taken of spiritual and pastoral needs and of the occurrence of particular liturgical celebrations which might call for suitable adaptations. What is really important is that the Rosary should always be seen and experienced as a path of contemplation.”

That freedom being given I have suggested that we follow the mysteries of Jesus’ life death and resurrection through the Rosary prayer and meditation in this month of May chronologically: Monday/The Joyful Mysteries - Tuesday/The Luminous Mysteries – Wednesday/The Sorrowful Mysteries – Thursday/The Glorious Mysteries - Friday/The Sorrowful Mysteries (because it was on a Friday Jesus died for us) – Saturday/ The Glorious Mysteries (because it is Eastertide) and Sunday/The Glorious Mysteries – because it is the Lord’s day, the weekly anniversary of the Lord’s Resurrection.

2)

Income

Since the lock-down the parish has received no income – that is understandable – but the parish still has to be maintained and bills still need to be paid (less of them – thank God during this time!). So might I suggest either

- a) Put your weekly offering aside each week and offer it when the lock-down is lifted
- b) Use the new [standing order mandate](#) which you will find on our parish website

And remember – as you’ve heard me say before when I do occasionally mention parish finances – remember a donation to the parish in your will – however small the gift maybe it is a gift that will be appreciated because it will help to sustain the parish and help it to grow in the future.